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TOPIC Soviet Troops in Baden and Bad Fischau

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Baden.

1. A total of 23 officers, including a captain as the ranking officer, and 32 EM were seen at the former Flak Kaserne in Baden (O 49/X 37), on the road to Soos (O 49/X 36), within a two-hour period on 13 February 1951. Sixteen of the officers wore red-bordered black epaulets, five black-bordered red epaulets and two black-bordered black epaulets. Most of the EM wore red-bordered black epaulets, some with artillery insignia. Motor vehicles, but no weapons were seen in the billeting area. Motor vehicles entering and leaving the barracks included weapons carrier [redacted] truck [redacted] both driven by soldiers wearing black-bordered red epaulets; van-like truck [redacted] truck [redacted] sedan [redacted] and tank truck [redacted] 50X1-HUM
2. Troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets, including a major as ranking officer, were observed in the Doblhof Castle. 50X1-HUM  
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3. The Helenenthalhof installation was apparently occupied to capacity. Sentries wore black-bordered black epaulets. Twenty-one trucks were parked in the garages. Soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets did maintenance work on them. Jeeps [redacted] and sedan [redacted] were parked in front of the installation; jeeps [redacted] weapon carriers [redacted] and trucks [redacted] were seen entering and leaving the barracks. All drivers wore black-bordered black epaulets. 50X1-HUM  
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4. Trucks [redacted] with drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen at the Soviet billets at 90 and 100 Helenenthal. Bundles of laundry and straw bags were loaded at the yard. Soldiers observed there wore black-bordered black epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets.

Bad Fischau.

5. Only troops wearing black-bordered red epaulets, some with motor transport insignia, were seen at the barracks installation in Bad Fischau

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(O 48/X 34) on 15 February 1951. Twenty new trucks [redacted]  
[redacted] were observed in the barracks yard.

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